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Group Art Unit: 3732  
Examiner: Philogene, Pedro

I, Amy Schick, hereby certify that this correspondence is being faxed to the USPTO at 571-273-8300 on March 7, 2006.

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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 8, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.